



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: CYNTHIA SCHNEIDER  
APPLICATION No.: 10/685,165  
FILED: OCTOBER 14, 2003  
FOR: **PICTURE FRAMING SYSTEM**

EXAMINER:  
ART UNIT: 3611  
CONF. No: 4272

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before examination, please amend the Application as follows:

In the Claims

Please add new claim 12 as shown in the attached Complete Set of Pending  
Claims.

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